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Applicant: Craig Frink et al. *#16/C*  
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DATA AND DATA FLOW SIGNALS AND DEVICES FOR  
IMPLEMENTING THE PACKET PROTOCOL *6/9/04*

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2003, the Applicant submits this Reply and Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicant hereby petitions for a **three-month extension of time** to submit this Reply.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 8, of which the **Conclusion** is on page 11.